



County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Social Services

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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached is the report of key GROW statistics for January 2003 and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 846 GROW participants in jobs during the month of January. A total of 36,310 participants have found jobs.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Community and Senior Services

GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)

JANUARY 2003

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS	JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF- INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
2003	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
January	5,949	4,138 (69%)	1,837	1,024 (56%)	855	846	1,043

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS	EDUCATION/ TRAINING	EDUCATION/ TRAINING	SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	SANCTIONS
2003	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		
January	641	509 (79%)	134	12	287	37,860	1,277

Note:

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

GROW UPDATE JANUARY 2003

JOB PLACEMENTS

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 36,310 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- Pasadena GROW held on-site employer recruitments on 1/14 and 1/28 with Washington Inventory Services and CRST. A total of 35 participants attended and six have been hired.
- Metro East held prep sessions for L.A. County Ground Maintenance Worker on 1/3, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24 and 1/31 with over 25 participants in attendance.
- During this month, South Central GROW held recruitment activities with L.A. Staffing Solutions, Checkmate Staffing and Benchmark Staffing.
- On 1/13, 1/22, 1/24 and 1/30, Metro Special GROW held employer recruitment activities with Laidlaw, MTA, CRST Trucking and Davis Security. Over 70 participants attended these events and 18 have been hired thus far.
- Throughout the month, Glendale GROW held employer recruitments and prep sessions with Kaiser Permanente, CRST Trucking Co., Bank of America and Goodwill Industries.
- On 1/8 and 1/23, San Fernando GROW held on-site recruitment activities with Interviewing Services of America and Goodwill Industries. A total of 18 participants attended and, to date, one has been hired.
- During this month, Lancaster GROW held employer recruitments with Harvest Farms, Cinemark Movie Theatre and Popeye's Chicken.
- Lancaster GROW held on-site workshops for the L.A. County Ground Maintenance Worker positions on 1/13 and 1/27.

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

- Through January 2003, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.